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- At dawn on 13 February 1953, one battalion of Chinese Nationalist guerrillas and one Chinese Nationalist regular army regiment landed on Meichou Island (N 25-04, E 119-08). No resistance was encountered and the island was secured by 1000 hours the same day. Two Chinese Nationalist destroyer escorts and six motor junks supported the operation.
- 2. Chinese Communist forces at P'uhsich'eng (N 25-08, E 119-08) and Wenchia (N 25-08, E 119-08), across the strait north of Meichou Island, opened fire with rifles, machine guns, and small caliber artillery.
- 3. One of the destroyer escorts observed Chinese Communist troops at P'inghai (N 25-12, E 119-16) moving west.
- 4. At 1030 hours on 14 February, the Nationalist forces withdrew without opposition from Meichou Island.

